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"FREE HUNGARIAN MOVEMENT" IN ROME

ORIGIN: Shortly after the entry of the Allied Armies into Rome, a group of Hungarian emigres in that city got together for the purpose of organizing a "Free Hungarian Movement". On 6 June 1944 they approached the Allied authorities and obtained permission to form the contemplated association. The original organizers were: Dr. Sándor LENART, Szolt ARADI and Bela KURY.

COOPERATION WITH BALKAN GROUPS: The first meeting of the "Free Hungarians" in Rome was held in August, 1944. KURY was made administrative secretary and a steering committee of fifteen was elected. Of an estimated 120 Hungarian families resident in Rome at the time, 70 people joined the organization. Delegates of the newly formed association paid a visit to the Allied Control Commission and to the Soviet Legation, advising them of their aims and future plans which included cooperation with other Balkan groups in Rome (Czech, Rumanian) whose support they were trying to enlist.

LEADING FIGURES: At the second meeting of the association, held on 15 July 1945, the following, all residents of Rome, were elected members of the steering committee:

SS APOR, Baron Gabriel, former Hungarian Minister to the Holy See.

SS ARADI, Szolt, writer and former Press Attache to the Holy See.

BOROSS, Jon, pastry-baker, Viale Furio Camilo 5.

HUSZKA, Stephen, former Press Attache to the Holy See.

SS KRAJCSOVICS, Dr. Rudolf, dentist, Via San Valentino 9.

KURY, Bela, former correspondent of the MTI (official Hungarian news agency); subsequently employed by PWB. Administrative Secretary of the organization.

LASZLO, Dr., dentist.

SS LENART, Dr. Sándor (Alexander), dentist, Via Babuino 48.

MAGYARI, Monsignor Gyula, Administrator of the former Hungarian Academy, Via Giulia 1, now used as a billet for Hungarian refugees.

MOSKOVITS, Istvan (Stephen), official of the International Agricultural Institute in Rome.

TOLNAY, Akos, writer, Via Campania.

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TOTH, Imre, sculptor, Via Margutta 7.
SS VANDOR, Dr. Miklos, ^{dentist} Via Giuseppe Parini 6.
VANDOR, Stephen, manager of Vatican Travel Bureau,
Viale Parioli 74; home: Via Barnaba Orsani.
VASKO, Joseph, cabinetmaker.

DISSIDENT GROUP: During this meeting, a group led by Joseph VANDOR (son of Stephen VANDOR, see above) declared themselves dissatisfied with the "reactionary" attitude of the leading members and threatened to form a separate Hungarian organization under the aegis of the Italian Socialist Party, which would include cooperation with Soviet circles in Rome and with the USSR in general. Joseph VANDOR is a 20 year old medical student, a member of the Italian Socialist Party. He lives with his father at Via Barnaba Orsani. Source suspects him of acting in behalf of pro-Soviet circles in Rome.

§ This list of Hungarians in Rome is in X-2 Balkans files.
§§ See JEX-160
§§§ Employed by MI.

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